

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A kit comprising primers for sequencing the region of *HPC2* encoding i) amino acid residue 217 or ii) amino acid residue 541.
2. A kit comprising i) primers for sequencing the region of *HPC2* encoding amino acid residue 217 and ii) primers for sequencing the region of *HPC2* encoding amino acid residue 541.
3. A kit comprising primers for performing an allele specific polymerase chain reaction wherein one primer is complementary to a region of *HPC2* comprising the codon encoding i) amino acid residue 217 or ii) amino acid residue 541.